## **State of South Dakota**

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## NO. HB 1201 - 01/28/2004

Introduced by: Representatives Williamson and Murschel and Senator Kelly

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to authorize the issuance of revenue bonds to finance 2 certain water pipelines or aqueducts. BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA: 3 4 Section 1. That § 46A-1-72 be amended to read as follows: 5 46A-1-72. Construction of a West River pipeline or aqueduct from the Oahe a mainstream Missouri reservoir, the Missouri River itself, or adjacent aquifers to the border with Wyoming 6 7 one or more communities in South Dakota is hereby authorized for a main delivery pipeline 8 capable of delivering approximately twenty-seven thousand acre-feet of water per year with up to approximately seven thousand acre-feet to be available for use in western South Dakota and 10 the balance into Wyoming water sufficient to supply or supplement the needs of the 11 communities and other private or commercial users purchasing water from the communities. 12 Section 2. That § 46A-1-73 be amended to read as follows: 13 46A-1-73. The South Dakota Conservancy District is hereby authorized to issue bonds for 14 the West River a pipeline or aqueduct pursuant to section 1 of this Act in an amount not to

exceed three hundred fifty five hundred million dollars. The district may enter into a financing

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1 agreement to loan the proceeds of the bonds as authorized by law. The financing agreement shall

2 provide for repayment of the loan through payments sufficient to pay the principal of, premium,

3 if any, and interest on the bonds. The loan shall be secured by take or pay contracts for the

transportation of coal delivery and sale of water and such additional security as is necessary for

repayment and to market the bonds. The bonds shall do not constitute an indebtedness of the

state and shall do not constitute nor give rise to a pecuniary or moral liability of the state or a

charge against its general credit or taxing powers. No tax revenues of the state, its people, or any

of its political subdivisions shall may be in any manner obligated to pay for any portion of the

construction or financing of the West River pipeline or aqueduct.

Section 3. That § 46A-1-74 be repealed.

11 46A-1-74. The South Dakota Conservancy District is hereby authorized to contract, without

using state tax revenues, for an independent market study to determine the demand for water

13 from the West River Aqueduct.

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